HPC Challenge 2014
PCJ Benchmarks
(Parallel Computing in Java)

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Parallel computing in Java – challenges

- Parallel programming is still difficult especially while traditional programming paradigms are used
- There is need for new programing paradigms such as Partitioned Global Address Space (PGAS)
- HPC marked has to open for new languages widely used for data analysis such as Java
- Parallel programming in Java is either threads or fork/join and is limited to a single JVM
- There has been number of parallel extensions to Java however none of them become popular

PCJ - Parallel Computations in Java

Java library developed at ICM

- **pcj.icm.edu.pl**

Programming paradigm:

- partitioned global address space (PGAS)
- all variables are local by default
- variables can be global (@Shared)
- one sided communication (put, get)

Features

- does not require modification of JVM
- does not require other libraries!
- works on *almost all operating system that have JVM*
- uses newest Java SE 7 (NIO, SDP, . . .)

PCJ - Parallel Computations in Java

Basic functionality of PCJ:

- tasks numbering
- synchronization of tasks
- getting values
- putting values

Advanced functionality:

- broadcasting values
- monitoring variables
- parallel I/O
- creating groups of nodes
- working with groups.

PCJ - Hello world

```
import org.pcj.*
public class PcjHelloWorld extends Storage
                                    implements StartPoint {

    @Override
    public void main() {
        System.out.println("Hello!");
    }

    public static void main(String[] args) {
        String[] nodes = new String[]{"localhost", "localhost"};
        PCJ.deploy(PcjHelloWorld.class,
                        PcjHelloWorld.class, nodes);
    }
}
```

PCJ - basics

```
@Shared double a;
double c;

if (PCJ.myId()==0) c =(double) PCJ.get(3, "a");

FutureObject aL[] = new FutureObject[PCJ.threadCount()];
if (PCJ.myId()==0) aL[p] = PCJ.getFutureObject(p, "a");
c =(double) aL[p].get();

if (PCJ.myId()==0) PCJ.put(3, "a", 5.0);

public static void PCJ.barrier();
public static int PCJ.threadCount()
```

PCJ - Reduction

```
@Shared double a
FutureObject aL[] = new FutureObject[PCJ.threadCount()];
double a0 = 0.0;
 if (PCJ.myId() == 0) {
     for (int p = 0; p < PCJ.threadCount(); p++) {
         aL[p] = PCJ.getFutureObject(p, "a");
     }
     for (int p = 0; p < PCJ.threadCount(); p++) {
         a0 = a0 + (double) aL[p].get();
       }
    }
```

HPC Challenge PCJ benchmarks

HPC Benchmarks

- STREAM 180 LOC
- Random Access 146 LOC
- GlobalFFT 1D 498 LOC

Our benchmarks

- MapReduce 126 LOC
- RayTracing 1627 LOC (incl. 100 comment lines)
  52 PCJ calls, incl. 35 log statements

```
long sum = 0;
  for ( User user : users ) { um += user.getAge (); }
  double average = (double) sum / users.size ();
```

MapReduce - Java

- **Java**

```
long sum = 0;
for ( User user : users ) {
   um += user.getAge ();
}
double average = (double) sum / users.size ();
```

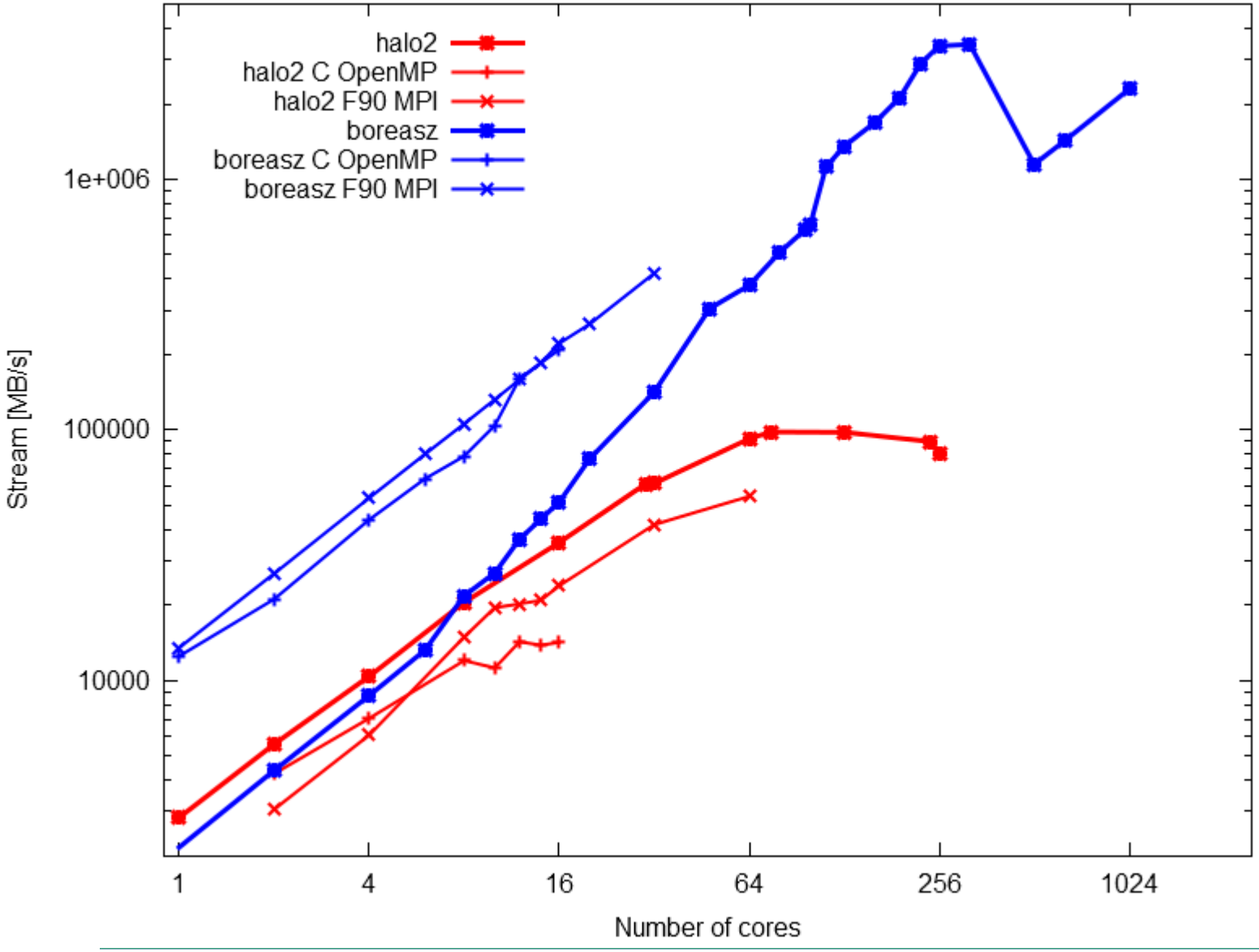
- **Java 8 parallel streams**

```
long sum = users.parallelStream ()
                .map (u -> ( long ) u. getAge ())
                .reduce ( Long :: sum )
                .get ();
double average = (double) sum / users.size ();
```

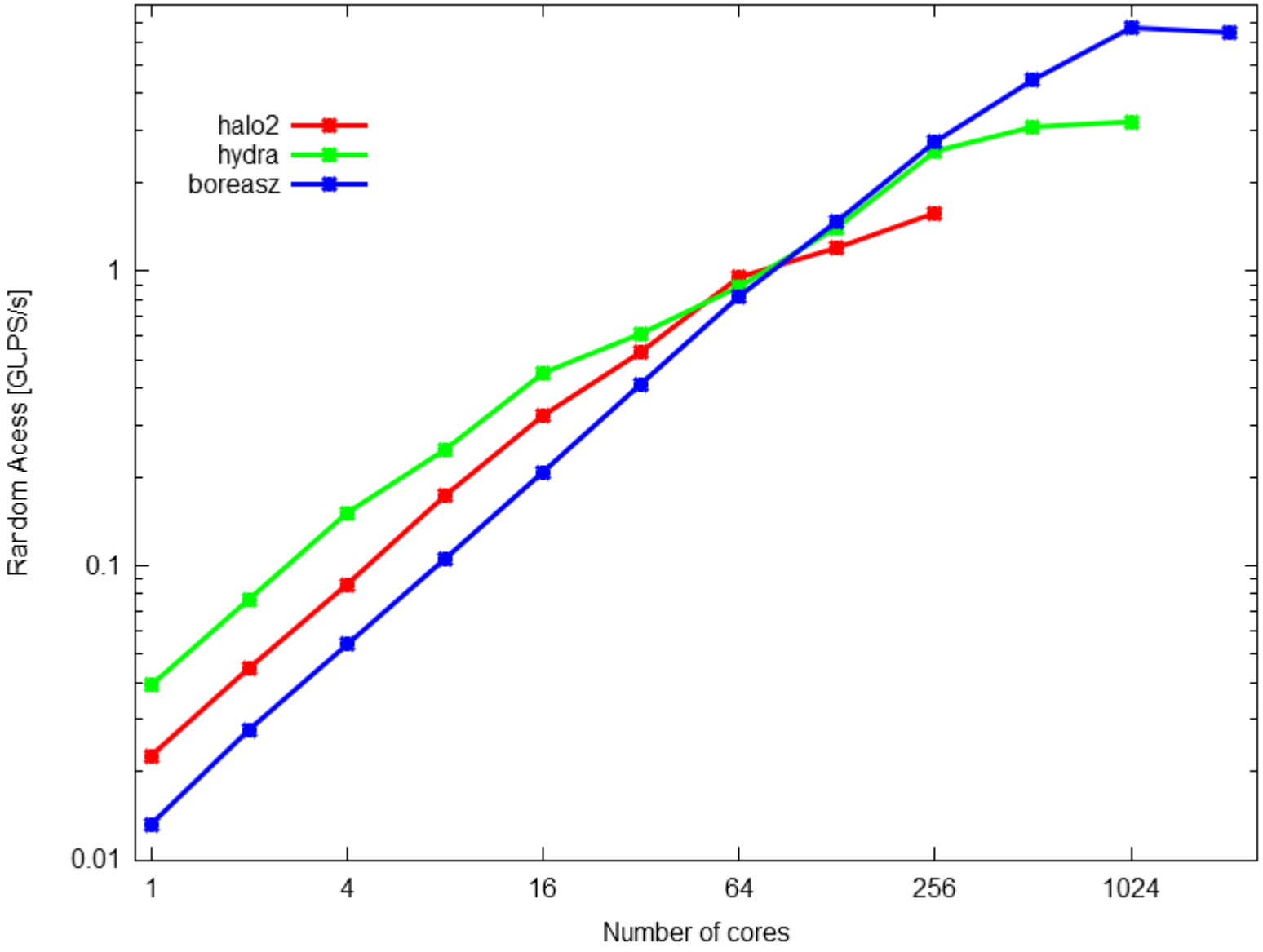
MapReduce - PCJ

```
@Shared  long sum ;
@Shared  int usersCount ;
...
myUsers = loadUsers( PCJ.myId ());
long s = 0;
for ( User u : myUsers ) {
      s += u. getAge ();
}
PCJ.putLocal ("sum", s);                    // The same for size
PCJ.barrier ();
s = pcj_reduce ("sum");
double average = (double) s / count ;
```

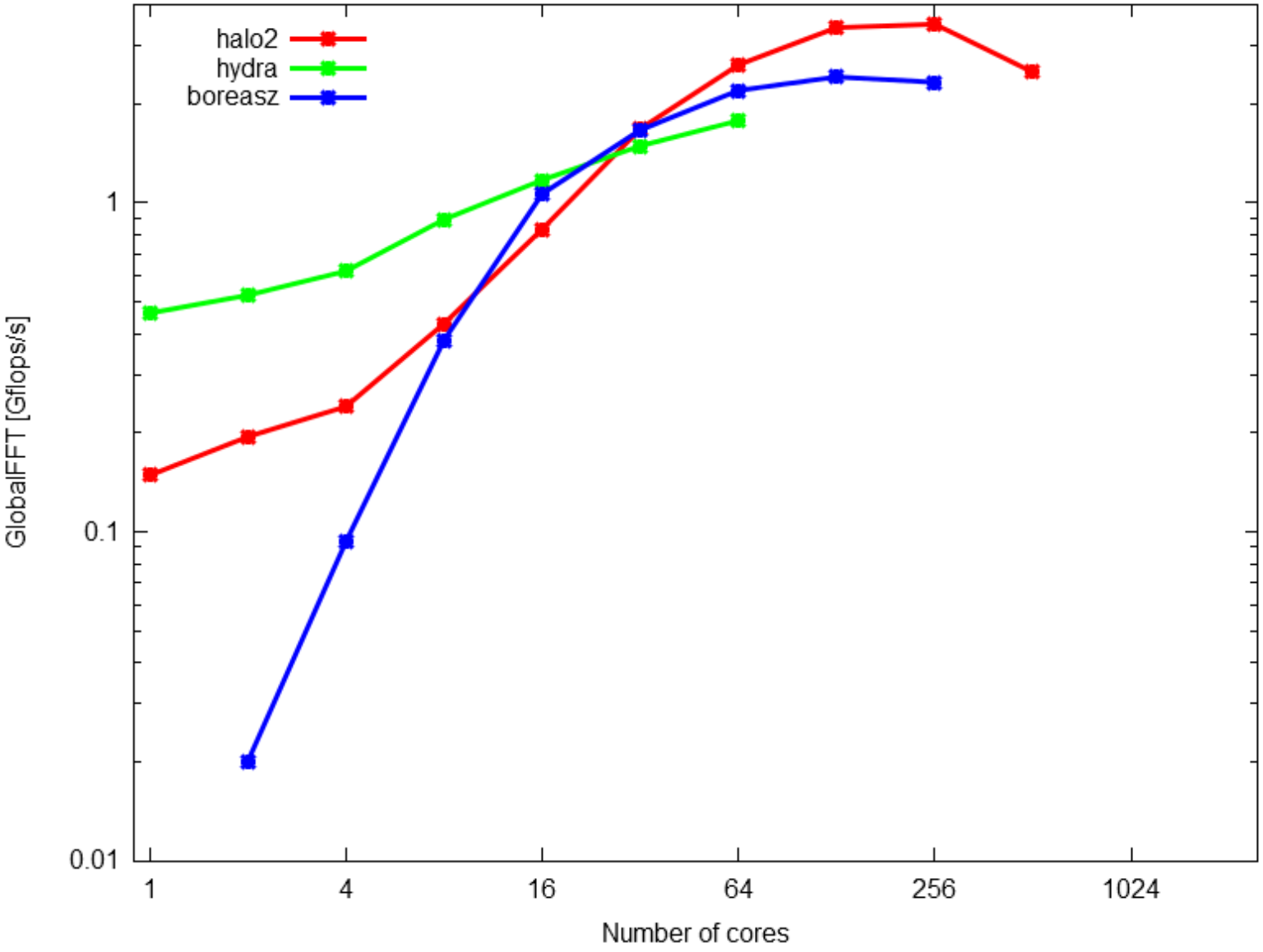
PCJ performance – STREAM



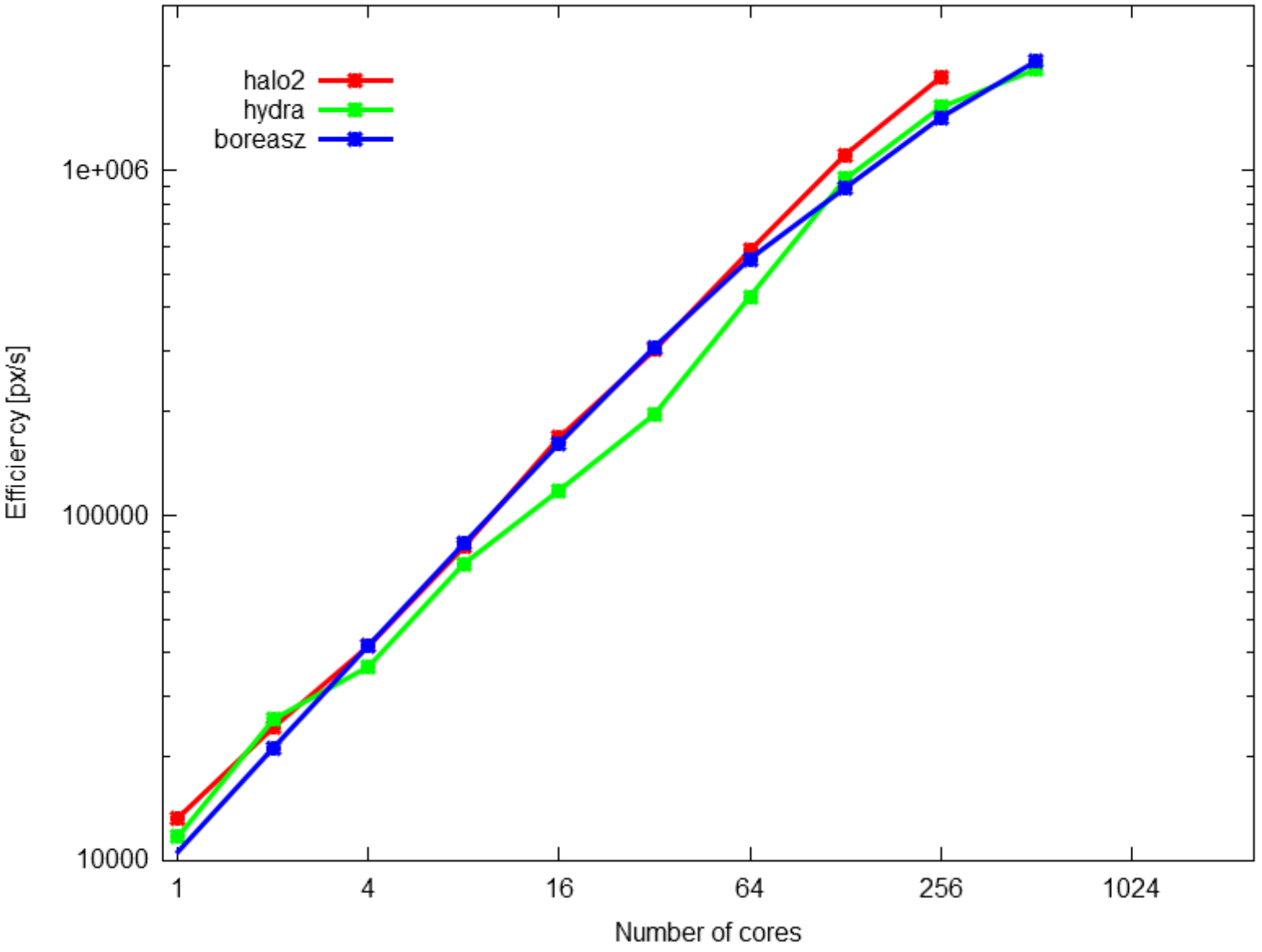
PCJ performance – Random Access



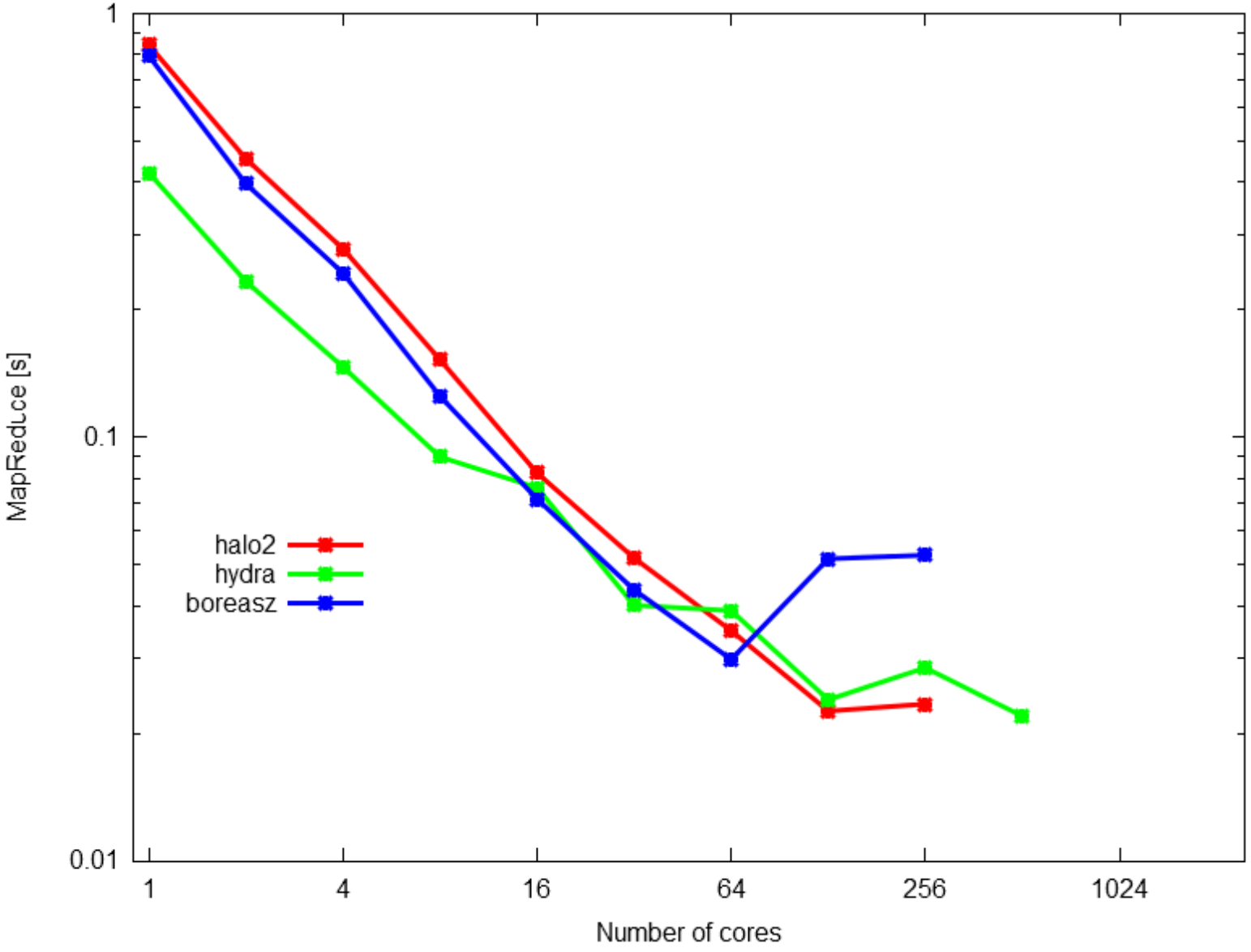
PCJ performance – Global FFT



PCJ performance – Raytracer



PCJ performance – MapReduce



PCJ for HPC and BigData

- For single node PCJ performance is competitive compare to Java 8 parallel streams
- PCJ performance is competitive compare to standard solutions based on MPI
- PCJ runs on multiple nodes (multiple JVM)
- PCJ has very good scalability and has been run on 10k cores
- PCJ can be used to parallelize data analysis codes written in Java

HPDCJ Project (CHIST-ERA)

Heterogenous parallel and distributed computing with Java

- Partners
  - ICM University of Warsaw (Warsaw, Poland)
  - IBM Research Lab (Zurich, Switzerland)
  - Queen's University of Belfast (Belfast, UK)
  - Bilkent Üniversitesi (Ankara, Turkey)
- Focus
  - ease of use and programmability of Java for distributed heterogeneous computing
  - heterogeneous systems including GPU and mobile devices
  - dependability and resilience by adding fault tolerance mechanisms
  - key applications including data-intensive Big Data applications
- 1st October 2014 – 31st September 2017
- **pcj.icm.edu.pl/hpdcj**

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